



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

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Application No.: 09/926,841

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Title: Thin, meshy porous body and method of manufacturing the porous body

**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Introductory Comments

The following amendments and remarks are being submitted pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.114 in response to the Office Action of May 4, 2007